

Official Regalia Inspection for Competition (ROBE CHECK)

General Information

1. Appropriate attire for Daughters participating in ritual competition is the Official Regalia, as outlined in Standard Operating Procedures for Bethels, number 11 (SOP-Bethel-11), except as noted in this document.
2. Any adaptations to the Official Regalia made by the BGC¹ to accommodate the religious or wellness needs of a Daughter shall be communicated to the Ritual Committee Co-Chairs, in writing, prior to arriving at Grand Session.
3. NEW 2022: Official Regalia will be inspected immediately prior to competing, outside the competition room door or at competition check-in. This will be a visual inspection ONLY, without measuring.

Grecian Robes & Undergarments

- The white Grecian robe shall be worn by all Daughters (active members of Job's Daughters) during all ritual competitions.
- Robes are to be clean, ironed, sewn and hemmed according to SOP-Bethel-11.
 - a. Hems are to be 3 inches from the floor when tied with cape or cord.
 - b. Hems are to be 4 inches wide.
- Robes that are made with an interior back panel (sometimes called a "bib") are to be tied around the Daughter's chest. This may be inquired about, but will NOT be visually verified.
- Undergarments that are white or match the skin tone of the competitor are encouraged. Undergarments must NOT be visible either by being exposed while wearing the robe properly, or be plainly seen through the fabric of the robe.
- Slips: A long white slip, full or half, is to be worn and must fall 4 to 6 inches from the floor.
- Hosiery: White pantyhose are to be worn. Pantyhose may be long or knee high. Socks are not to be worn.
- Shoes: White flat shoes or white sandals without color are to be worn. Ballet slippers are recommended. Small bows and ties for these shoes are okay.

Bethel Royalty

- This information applies to anyone competing in the capacity as Honored Queen, Senior Princess or Junior Princess. See "Bethel Officers and Bethel Choir" for instructions pertaining to all other Bethel Officers.
- Cords will NOT be tacked to the robe, cords will be attached to the cape.
 - Cords are worn to be worn in the usual manner: crossed at center front 3 times, then passed around the waist once and tied at center front with a square knot 1 inch below natural waistline.

¹ BGC = Bethel Guardian Council

- Capes of purple velvet or velveteen, as prescribed by the SGC², will be worn by the Honored Queen and Princesses. The Honored Queen's cape is to be floor length or longer. The Princesses' capes are to be waist length.
- Crowns, as prescribed by the SGC, will be worn by the Honored Queen and Princesses. Crowns are to be no more than 1 inch from the natural hairline, and set level on the head. No part of the crown may be covered by hair.

Bethel Officers & Choir Members

- See "Bethel Royalty" for instructions pertaining to the Honored Queen, Senior Princess and Junior Princess. This information applies to all other Bethel Officers.
- Cords shall be tacked along the bottom of the yoke seam to within 2 to 3 inches of each side of center front (measured on the curve of the yoke).
 - Cords are worn to be worn in the usual manner: crossed at center front 3 times, then passed around the waist once and tied at center front with a square knot 1 inch below natural waistline.
 - Officers are intended to wear white cords and Bethel Choir members are intended to wear purple cords. Either will be acceptable for competition, regardless of position.
- Headbands, as prescribed by the SGC, shall be worn by the Bethel Officers and the Bethel Choir

Accessories

- Requirements for accessories worn during competition are more stringent than standard attire. This is due to the nature of competition and a desire to minimize bias and distraction from the competitor's performance.
- A wristwatch and one (1) additional piece of jewelry may be worn, so long as it is in consistent with the standards of Job's Daughters, and approved by the Executive Members of the BGC. Jewelry must not distract or interfere with the competitor's ability to perform the ritualistic work. Additionally:
 - Smartwatches are strongly discouraged. Telecommunications devices are generally not appropriate while competing.
 - Charm bracelets and other noisy jewelry shall NOT be worn.
 - Visible piercings are discouraged, but small studs may be worn as necessary.
 - Ankle bracelets are discouraged because they do not wear well with pantyhose.
- Officer jewels and awards (including medallions) shall NOT be worn for competition. Examples include, but are not limited to, Line Officers' pins, Grand Bethel Officer medallion, Lily of the Valley Award medallion, Spirit Ambassador medallion, Past Honored Queen's ring.

² SGC = Supreme Guardian Council

Personal Style

- Tattoos may be visible, but must not be considered offensive by "reasonable person" standards³.
- Nail styles may be in the color and shape of the competitor's choice, except that the nails must not interfere with the ability to perform ritualistic work, and must not be considered offensive by "reasonable person" standards.
- Makeup styles are at the discretion of the competitor, but must not interfere with the ability to perform ritualistic work and must not be considered offensive by "reasonable person" standards.
- Hair styles may be in the color and cut of the competitor's choice, except that the hair must not intentionally cover the eyes.

³ Offensive messaging includes things like hate speech, vulgar words or images, or similar themes. If in doubt, contact the Ritual Committee. Daughters are also welcome to eliminate the concern by covering a tattoo.

